



PRIMARY 1L&M

Welcome back! This is the first newsletter of 2107 for P1L&M. We hope that you all had a fabulous Christmas break and are ready for the new term.

Numeracy

This term we will be continuing with counting numbers to 20 and beyond.

We will be starting to use Big Maths this term and will soon be sending materials home for you to support your child.

Other areas we will be looking at are doubles, estimating, maths games and odd and even numbers

Mrs Gordon will be continuing to work on shape.

Please continue to support your child at home using the suggestions we gave you at parents' night.



Literacy

We are nearly finished learning our initial sounds and names of the letters. Soon we will be moving on to digraphs such as sh, ch etc.

When practicing the sounds at home, please remember to keep going over the ones we have already covered and don't just focus on the new ones. This revisiting of sounds and names will help your child's learning in this area.

The children will continue blending and building 3 letter words using the sounds they have already learned.

We are continuing to learn about letter formation. Please continue to encourage correct letter formation at home.

We will continue to teach 3 common words per week. Again, as with the initial sounds, please remember to go over all the words we have done so far when practicing at home.

This term we will be using a different storybook each week to base our reading activities upon. Your child should be able to tell you the book we are reading each week so please ask them about it!



HWB

Children will continue to get a healthy snack each day. We thank you for continuing to provide your child with £2 weekly snack money. Last term we promoted 'trying new things' and offered the children healthy choices they may not have had before. The children enjoy foods such as wraps, bagels, watermelon, apple, carrot, cucumber, and different kinds of cheese!

The children are doing well at following the school rules and routines and we will continue to promote these and have high expectations for our children.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Grahamston House Care Home at Christmas and we are sure that the residents enjoyed it just as much. We are hoping to revisit the home this term as we will be learning traditional Scottish children's songs and we are sure the residents would enjoy hearing these too!



Teaching and Learning

Bella P1L - "I enjoy gym because we play lots of games."

Riley M P1M - "I liked going to the college. I liked finding the letters in the sand."

Blake P1L - "I like maths because we do lots of numbers. My favourite number is 1 trillion!"

Ayla P1M - "I like spelling because it helps us learn more words."

Millie P1L - "I like bay play because we get to draw at the drawing table."

Ross P1M - "I liked going to see Stickman and Room on the Broom because I have those books."

P1 were thrilled to win the Blue Leaf Reading Challenge. Thank you for your support and encouragement. We hope you will continue to read with your child at home - reading and being read to makes you smart!
We asked the children how they felt about winning the reading challenge. This is what they said...

Tyler D P1M - "Very Good!"

Mea P1L - "Happy!"

Harris P1L - "Great!"

Lucy P1L - "Surprised!"

Teigan P1M - "Amazing!"

Teacher Talk

If you are not already doing so, please follow us on Twitter.



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Upcoming Events

Visit to Grahamston House Care Home - date to be confirmed

Victoria Voices Meeting, all welcome - Thursday 19th January, 6p.m. to 8 p.m.

Monday	Snack money in please! Art with Mrs. Carus - 1L and 1M
Tuesday	Return library book/New one issued
Wednesday	Dinner slips issued Drama - 1L and 1M
Thursday	Mrs Gordon in class (P1L) PE with Mr. Haldane (P1M)
Friday	PE with Mrs Carus (P1L) Mrs Gordon & Mrs Carus in class (P1M) Dinner slips to be returned

- Please remember to send your child's letter pocket, book bag (with reading book) and a water bottle to school every day
- Please make sure all your children's clothing is labeled; this is a huge help to us, particularly on P.E days.
- Please think about what your child wears on a PE day to make it as easy for them to get changed as possible.

If you have any concerns or queries, please feel free to get in touch. Appointments can be made through the school office

We hope this newsletter has given you a greater insight into your child's life at school and how you can best support them with their school routine.

Thanks for your continuing support.

Mrs Lilley & Mrs Minto